

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the District of Columbia Establishment Act of 2001; to require the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (“CJCC”) to transmit a report on risk factors for youth involvement in future gun violence; to require that certain District agencies provide CJCC with information necessary to complete the report; to authorize the Department of Health Care Finance (“DHCF”) to disclose health and human services information to CJCC for the purposes of research on and analysis of criminal justice and public safety issues; to amend the Data-Sharing and Information Coordination Amendment Act of 2010 to allow the disclosure of health and human services information to aid in the development of the report on risk factors for youth involvement in future gun violence; and to amend the District of Columbia Mental Health Information Act of 1978 to authorize the disclosure of mental health information to CJCC as necessary to produce a report on risk factors for youth involvement in future gun violence.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Information Sharing Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2 (a) In 2022, the CJCC partnered with the National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform (“NICJR”), and the Metropolitan Police Department and other law enforcement and supervision agencies to conduct a detailed analysis of shootings and homicides in the District of Columbia. The Office of Gun Violence Prevention (“OGVP”) and the CJCC then commissioned NICJR to develop a comprehensive Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan with proposed

37 recommendations in the areas of violence prevention, violence intervention, and community
38 transformation to reduce gun violence.

39 (b) The Strategic Plan recommended the CJCC conduct a longitudinal cohort analysis of
40 young persons between the ages of 18 and 24-years of age who have been convicted of homicide
41 and attempted homicide and trace their background and system involvement as children. This
42 analysis would culminate in the development of an intervention program designed specifically
43 for youth at the highest risk of involvement in future gun violence with a detailed plan to engage
44 the youth and their families in programs and services that match their risks and needs.

45 (c) The analysis would build upon the work conducted by the CJCC in drafting its report
46 on the root causes of violent crime, as required by DC Code §22-4234(b).

47 (d) There is a pressing need to address the rise in gun violence in the District, particularly
48 among District youth. The analysis would assist District agencies in addressing this pressing
49 need by providing critical information on the risk factors that lead youth to engage in future gun
50 violence.

51 (e) The CJCC has encountered difficulties in obtaining the data necessary to complete the
52 analysis from District agencies, including the Department of Health Care Finance.

53 (f) To ensure that the CJCC can expeditiously conduct the described analysis, which will
54 inform urgently needed gun violence interventions, it is necessary to move forward on an
55 emergency basis.

56 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
57 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
58 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Information Sharing Emergency Amendment Act of 2023
59 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.